U.S. Embassy Kabul Human Resources Office

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT: EDUCATION ADVISOR (FSN-09)

Announcement Number: 15-118

OPEN TO: All Interested Candidates (Women are encouraged to apply)

POSITION: Education Advisor FSN-09

OPENING DATE: October 01, 2015

CLOSING DATE: October 14, 2015

WORK HOURS: Full-time, 40 hours/week

NOTE: ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT APPLICANTS MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The U.S. Embassy in Kabul is seeking an individual for the position of Education Advisor with Public Affairs Section (PAS).

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION:

Provide a range of services to students seeking information about education and study in the United States, with minimal direction from the Assistant Cultural Affairs Officer. Manage and operate student advising centers at PAS and Lincoln Centers throughout Afghanistan. Act as liaison between students and U.S. institutions. Work with Youth Exchange Student alumni to prepare applications, take standardized tests and gain admission and scholarship funds to attend U.S. universities. Work with other U.S. agencies, organizations, and officials to provide information on fellowships and other sources of financial assistance to clients. Oversee education advising outreach activities at PAS and the Kabul Educational Advising Center. Develop and maintain education advising reference collection. Administer U.S. Embassy funded Opportunity Scholarships program.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

NOTE: All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.

Education: Four Years of University degree in liberal arts, education, culture, management or similar field is required.

Experience: Two years of responsible professional experience in cultural, academic, management or related field is required. At least one year of experience related to U.S. higher education administration or recruitment is required.

Language: Level IV (reading, writing, and speaking) in English and written and spoken fluency in Dari and Pashto is required.

Knowledge: Thorough knowledge of U.S. and Afghan educational institutions, systems, and programs; as well as methods of researching and obtaining information about U.S. and Afghan educational institutions, systems, and programs.

Abilities and Skills: Ability to analyze and meet student needs. Draft reports and other written work using the Microsoft product suite, PowerPoint, Excel, spreadsheet and desktop publishing software. Ability to operate Embassy-designed databases with proficiency. Familiarity with educational advising database programs. Strong writing and public speaking skills in English, Dari and Pashto. Strong interpersonal skills

and initiative to identify and reach out to U.S. and Afghan university representatives through both written and oral communications.

HOW TO APPLY

Interested candidates for this position <u>must</u> submit the following for consideration of the application:

- Universal Application for Employment as a Locally Employed Staff (DS-174). Candidates
 may also send a current résumé or curriculum vitae in addition to the Form DS-174, but in all
 cases, the DS-174 must be submitted in order for the candidate to receive consideration
 for this vacancy. The DS-174 form is available on the U.S. Embassy website
 http://kabul.usembassy.gov
- 2. Any other documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed above.
- 3. Candidates who claim U.S. Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application. Candidates who claim conditional U.S. Veterans preference must submit documentation confirming eligibility for a conditional preference in hiring with their application.

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO

Human Resources Office, U.S. Embassy Kabul

Applications should be submitted through e-mail to this address: <u>kabuljobs@state.gov</u>
Subject line must be: (Education Advisor VA: 15-118) or your application may not be considered.

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: (10/14/2015)

SELECTION PROCESS

When fully qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and U.S. Veterans are given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate specifically address the required qualifications above in the application.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA

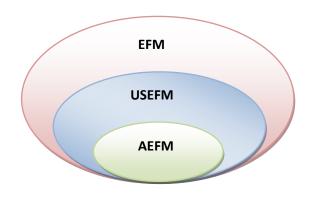
- 1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
- 2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
- 3. Current Ordinarily Resident employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.
- 4. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFMs who hold a Family Member Appointment (FMA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
- 5. Currently employed NORs hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.
- 6. The candidate must be able to obtain U.S. Mission Regional Security Office (RSO) and Health Unit clearances.

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: (September 03, 2013)

The U.S. Mission in (insert post) provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.

Appendix A DEFINITIONS



This diagram demonstrates how an Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM) is also a U.S.- citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM) as well as an Eligible Family Member (EFM).

- 1. Eligible Family Member (EFM): An individual related to a U.S. Government employee in one of the following ways:
 - Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in <u>3 FAM 1610</u>);
 - Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchildren and adopted children and those under legal guardianship of the employee or the spouse when such children are expected to be under such legal guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian;
 - Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support;
 - Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.

- 2. U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM): For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:
 - U.S. Citizen; and,
 - EFM (see above) at least 18 years old; and,
 - Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:
 - 1. Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
 - 2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.
- 3. Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM): EFM (see above) eligible for a Family Member Appointment for purposes of Mission employment:
 - Is a U.S. citizen; and
 - Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in <u>3 FAM 1610</u>) or a child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
 - Is listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126, Foreign Service Residence and Dependency Report, of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), and who is under chief of mission authority; and
 - Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, office of the American Institute in Taiwan.
 - Does not receive a Foreign Service or Civil Service annuity
- 4. Member of Household (MOH): An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:
 - Not an EFM; and,
 - Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
 - Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

A MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, and other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

- 4. Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR) An individual who:
 - Is not a citizen of the host country; and,
 - Does not ordinarily reside (OR, see below) in the host country; and,
 - Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
 - Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

- 5. Ordinarily Resident (OR) A Foreign National or U.S. citizen who:
 - Is locally resident; and,
 - Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
 - Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).

Appendix B

If an applicant is submitting a resume or curriculum vitae, s/he must provide the following information equal to what is found on the UAE.

Failure to do so will result in an incomplete application.

- A. Position Title
- B. Position Grade
- C. Vacancy Announcement Number (if known)
- D. Dates Available for Work
- E. First, Middle, & Last Names as well as any other names used
- F. Current Address, Day, Evening, and Cell phone numbers
- G. U.S. Citizenship Status (Yes or No) & status of permanent U.S. Resident (Yes or No; if yes, provide number)
- H. U.S. Social Security Number and/or Identification Number
- I. Eligibility to work in the country (Yes or No)
- J. Special Accommodations the Mission needs to provide (Yes or No; if yes, provide explanation)
- K. If applying for position that includes driving a U.S. Government vehicle, Driver's License Class / Type
- L. Days available to work
- M. List any relatives or members of your household that work for the U.S. Government (include their Name, Relationship, & Agency, Position, Location)
- N. U.S. Eligible Family Member and Veterans Hiring Preference
- O. Education
- P. License, Skills, Training, Membership, & Recognition
- Q. Language Skills
- R. Work Experience
- S. References

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